FOREIGN LANDS.

TRIBES NOW IN REVOLT IN INDIA AND THEIR POWER.

Russia Determined to Capture Herat-Royal Marriage in Denmark-Prince Oscar, of Sweden, a Salvationist.

A recent dispatch in the London Daily fail gives the following interesting desam gives the following interesting description of the hostile tribes:

The Afridis are the most powerful of all the border tribes, Their armed strength is about 27,000. They are fine, athletic mountaineers, with warlike instincts, and make splendid fighting men. In our frontier reginents they have again and again shown themselves excellent soldiers. The Afridi, however, is said to be at his best when acting on the offensive. In a losing tight he lacks the stubborn courage of the Sikh and Goorkha. In his own hills he is a dangerous enemy, being inured to fighting from his boyhood. Intertribal disputes are invariably settled by an immediate appeal



The Tribe That Is Giving England so Much Trouble in India,

to arms. One clan will attack another on to arms. One clan will attack another on the smallest provocation, regarding the fighting almost in the light of a pastime. The Orakzal are also numerically pow-erful, mustering some 25,000 fighting men. Opinions differ as to their martial qualities. Opinions differ as to their martial qualities. They certainly made a poor stand against General Lockhart in the Miranzai expeditions, but in these days of fanaticism, when even the despised Swats have shown splendid bravery at close quarters, it would be unwise to underestimate the fighting powers of any of these wild border tribes.

The Orakzai hold the hills to the northwest of the Kohat district, the Afridi country, marching with their borders to the north and east, while on the westward they touch the Safiakos range, but the Orakzai are split into two great factions, and a general combination is considered very unlikely. At the same time it is dangerous are split into two great factions, and a general combination is considered very unlikely. At the same time it is dangerous to prophesy how this or that tribe will behave while the frontier remains in its present excited condition, but it may be reasonably expected that the Afridis as a body will not join in any hostilities. The tribes know that a large force stands ready at the service of the Indian government. They have heard of the great shughter in the Swat valley and of the punishment that overtook the raiders from the Mahmoud country.

If the Orakzai attack the Sumana range some of the neighboring Afridis may join for the sake of the excitement of the fighting, but no considerable contingent is thought likely to turn out.

The British troops now engaged in active operations along some 300 miles of the frontier line number 37,000, mobilized on a war footing.

Some Bonerwals have joined in the Landaki affair, but it is not yet known whether or not the whole tribe is up. It is said that among those who took part in the fight were descendants of refugees who fied from India after the mutiny in 1857 and founded a college in the upper Indus valley.

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The khan of Dir continues to hold his people in check. Chilas and Gilgit report all well, while Chitral remains quiet.

HERAT IS THE KEY.

When Russia Captures the Place Then British India Will Indeed Be Threatened.

Several years ago a book called "At the Gates of Herat" attracted great attention in England. One point that the writer made prominent has appeared in England's present war in India. It is Russian dominance n Afghanistan, the specter which has con fronted Great Britain for many years. There are no students of the Eastern situation who do not believe that a final grapple between the lion and the bear is inev-

cation who do not believe that a final grapple between the lion and the bear is inevitable.

Russia is resolved to seize Herat. She will get it yet. She has secretly surveyed Afghanistan. Her troops are concentrated at and near Merv. She has seized the most important passes. She can, however, if she wishes, throw two armies into India, Down the valley of the Murghab it is only 240 miles from Merv to Herat. Valentine Baker asys that "Merv is the natural outwork of Herat, with the advantage of water supply all the way between the two cities."

English experts have expressed the belief that "were an enemy to occupy Herat the English army, without having fired a shot, would consider itself half beaten." The city, which numbers a population of 50,000, is in no condition to defend itself against a Russian attack. It is called the key to India, because through it alone the valleys can be entered which lead to the vulnerable part of India. These valleys, running nearly north and south, are protected on the east by mountain ranges and on the west by impracticable deserts.

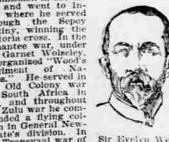
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GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA. Will He Prove Equal to His Task!-The Career of the New Adjutant General.



Lord Elgin, governor general of India, will lave bis hands full now that the uptible in that country has reached such dangerous proportions. The post of vicercy is one of immense responsibility, but it is believed that the British nobleman now at the head of the government will prove equal to the task. He is a man of high courage and ability comblued, and is just the kind of a man to meet the crists that now confronts him. Elgin was educated at Eton and Oxford and on leaving the university spent several years in travel. In 1866 he was appointed treasurer of the queen's household and first commissioner of works. He held many minor official posts with much credit, and when in 1836 he was made vicercy of India the appointment was received with general approbation. Since he took up the reins of government he has had many difficulties to contend with. Lady Elgin, who was the daughter of the finth Eari of Southesk, and whom he married in 1856, has busied herself with the uplifting of the women of India.

Sir Evelyn Wood, the new adjutant general of the British army, has mad a long and honorable career as a soldier. At the age of 11 he took a commission in the army and went to India, where he served through the Sepoy muttiny, winning the Victoria cross. In the Ashantee war, under Sir Garnet Wolseley, he organized "Wood's Regiment of Natives." He served in the Old Colony war in South Africa in 1859, and throughout the Zulu war he commanded a flying column in General Newdigate's division. In the Transvaal war of Sir Evelyn Wood. It has been a better the British troops. He was in command of a brigade of the bevotted a recommand of a brigade of the bevotted a recommand of a brigade of the bevotted a recommand of a brigade of the bevotted and the properties of the properties of the bevotted and the properties of the bevotted and the properties of the bevotted and the properties of the properties of the bevotted and the



manded with the control of the England and from ISS the Evelyn commanded all the British troops. He was in command of a brigade of the Egyptian expedition in 1882, and served in the Nile expedition of 1884-5. From 1886 to 1888 he commanded the Eastern division in England and from ISS to 1883 the Aldershot division. He was made general in 1895, General Wood is succeeded in the post of quartermaster general by General Sir George Stewart White, who has commanded the forces in India since 1892. White is likewise a veteran of the Sepoy rebellion.

Hohenlohe to Retire. Berlin advices give it as practically set-tled that Prince Hohenlohe, the kaiser's imperial chancellor, will retire in October.

Since 1827.

beloved by the late imperor. The count

General Field Marshal Count Blumenthal recently celebrated the 70th anniversary of his entract into the army of Prussia. On July 20 the count was 88 years old and he received telegrams of congratulation from the emperor, Empress Frederick and many other royal personages. The aged field marshal has ever been a favorite with the dowager empress especially, and the old soldier was also much beloved by the late beloved by the late imperor. The count was born, one may say, in the military service of his country. He has fought in every war Prussia has engaged in since 1827. His promotion was rapid and his great fidelity to his royal master won for him all sorts of praise in and out of the army. One of the first acts of the late Frederick William when he became emperor was to raise the faithful old soldier to the rank of field marsual. By virtue of that title he is the chief of the general staff of the Prussian army. Each year he spends a few weeks at Koenigstein-in-the-Taunus, where Empress Frederick always visits him. that he would yield his title and resign all rights of succession, but that marry Miss Monk he cer-tainly would.

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ROYAL MARRIAGE IN DENMARK.

Princess Ingeborg Charlotte of Denmark Wed to Prince Charles of Sweden.

A marriage of considerable importance to Denmark and Sweden was the union of the Princess Ingeborg Charlotte Frederica, second daughter of the Crown Prince Christian of Denmark and Prince Charles, Duke of Westergotland, third son of King Oscar III. of Norway and Sweden.

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Princess Ingeborg Charlotte Frederica is the second daughter of the Crown Prince Christian, of Denmark, and is now in her 18th year. Prince Charlets is the third son of King Oscar, of Sweden and Norway, and has long enjoyed the distinction of being considered one of the handsomest men in Sweden.

The marriage has for some time been much talked about. Prince Carl was a most devoted lover, going and coming between Stockholm and Copenhagen quite frequentity. Princess Ingeborg town a famous teacher, that she might fulfill better her duties at the Swedish court. While a Swede, a Dane and a Norwegian perfectly well understand each other's language, and can converse as fluently as in their own language, the pro-



nunciation is different, and the princess desires to speak the language like a native. The royal couple will occupy a suite of nineteen rooms in the old palace, known as the Crown Prince's palace, at the square of Gustavus Adolphus, in the heart of the

RUSSO-GRECIAN ALLIANCE.

Daughter of King George of Greece to Marry a Cousin of the Czar.



of the East. It is Princess Maria, of Greece, who, it is avounced, is to be wed to the cousin of Czar Alexander III.

That King George's daughter should be married to the cousin of the czar of "All the Russias" in the face of the recent defeat of the Grecian arms is certainly a warning to Turkey, or rather to that great Asiatic monster which the Western powers call Turkey. The elder sister of the princess married the princess married the Duke Paul, another Princess Marie. Princess Marie. Alexander III. The bridegroom is in his 34th year and the bride is in her 21st

is in her list.

In spite of the vicissitudes of war, the family of King George of Greece can marry well. When the king rode out in the streets of Athens after the recent disastrous war and the people hissed him, he replied to their insulis: "In six months you will be cheering me."

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The marriage which is announced between the cousin of the czar and the Princess Maria seems to make it probable that the Greeks will cheer for this union, for it will be one of those strong "dynastic reasons" which have so far had a great if not a deciding effect upon the fortunes of European nations.

SIDI ALI, BEY OF TUNIS. His Ambition Was to Secure a Piece of Metal That Would Shine

Like the Sun. Sidi Ali, Bey of Tunis, is about to re tire in favor of his son. He is consid-



ered one of the most peculiar of Eastern potentates. He has been look- the value of a good sized diamond cannot

Speculations as to his successor give prominence to the name of Baron von Eulow, the present German ambassador at Rome.

SEVENTY YEARS IN THE ARMY.

Count Blumenthal Has Fonght in Every Count Blumenthal Has Fonght in Every County Blumenthal Has Fonght in Every County has a pression all of which it would appear as if her majesty had a pretty wit—as well as a copious, commonplace book.

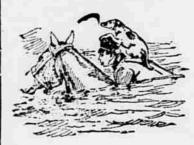
A PRINCELY SALVATIONIST.

but far below the prince in station. The prince is a nephew of the king. The king protested and refused to permit the mar-riage, whereupon Prince Oscar declared

PRINCE CARL OF SWEDEN AND PRINCESS INGEBORG OF DENMARK.

Soldiers Must Be Able to Swim and Have a Horse Not Afraid

of Water. In the Dutch army a man must be able to swim as well as to fight. Moreover, if he is in the cavalry he must have a horse Here is a picture of a princess who is which will take a river as easily as a huntto play an important part in the diplomacy of the East. It is Princess Maria, of Greece, who, it is amounced, is to be wed to the cousin of Czar Alex-



DRILL IN THE DUTCH CAVALRY.

not attempt to land on stone quays and other difficult points. The men swim across with their horses and on them. They swim in swimming costume and in all the accoutrements of war. There are few nautical emergencies for which the Dutch army is not prepared. Some of the officers have even reached that degree of proficiency that not only their horses and kits cross the rivers with them, but their very pet dogs sit upon their shoulders and are borne over also.

MOST PRECIOUS OF STONES. Some Interesting Facts About the

Value of Rubies-More Precious Than Diamonds. "To the question, Which is the most valuable precious stone?' nine people out of every ten, at least, will, without the slightest hesitation, reply, "The diamond,"

potentiates.

He has been looking for a long time for a place of metal that will shine like the sun. Many of the artificers of his dominion have been called upon to furnish this, but none of their work appears to have satisfied his majesty. They have all paid the penalty of the Observations of Natulle of Servia Do Credit to Her Insight
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PLUCK AND NERVE WILL WIN

CLARA WILSON, A DISHWASHER, GETS \$2,000,000 OUT OF ALASKA.

Brave Little Boston Girl-One Woman Routs a Bear and Another Kills One-Woman Fights for Admission to University.

Clara Wilson, whose home is in Denver, Col., and who went to a little mining camp south of Circle City, Alaska, a year and a half ago to serve as cook for a number of miners, passed through Kansas City Friday on her way to her old home at Scranton, Pa.

Miss Wilson returns to the United States a multi-millionaire and all through her own energy and pluck. She was educated in the public schools at Scranton, Pa., but her parents moved to the Western country before she had an opportunity to get above the grammar grades. At that time her father had considerable means, but he exhausted it in an endeavor to locate gold in Colorado and California. Miss Wilson was 16 years old when her father died and at once determined to make her own way in the world. She went to Scattle and found employment as a domestic on a steamer bound for Alaska. She found her way to Circle City and became the cook and general housemaid for a number of miners.

Miss Wilson was not satisfied with this kind of life. She had had some experience in mining while accompanying her father on his pilgrimages and she "crossed lots" in Alaska on her own account. The result was that she located a copper mine which is now being worked and which is said to be panning out as prolifically as any of the gold mines that are making the Klondike fields famous. Miss Wilson had no sooner staked her claim than her possession was disputed by a number of men, but besides mining she had learned from her father how to use rifle and revolver and for days she sat the sole guardian of her claim.

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"When I was a commonplace restaurant waiter or dishwasher no one cared for me," Miss Wilson said. "Now I am worth perhaps \$2,000,000 in money, and am being constantly followed by young men of good families who would be glad to take a wife. I might as well say now that I am not marrying at this time. My mother and I can live now wherever we see fit, and I want to tell you that we shall not have our mooms facing in alleys, as we have been compelled to since father died."

A GIRL KILLS A BEAR.

She Wasn't Looking for Him, Nevertheless He Came Along Her Way.

Miss Hattie Richards, daughter of a New York city dry goeds merchant, has killed one of the largest bears ever slain in the Dead river region of Maine.

Miss Richards is familiar with the use



familiar with the use of firearms, and has often brought down deer. She has a rifle that was especially made for her use. She was lying in

made for her use. She was lying in wait for game last Tuesday, when suddenly there was a loud cracking of underbrush, and a huge black bear trotted along in blissful ignorance of the presence of the young woman with a rifle. When he had approached to within 200 feet of her she fired. The bullet struck the bear in the neck and made a bad wound, which caused the animal to grow very savage. It made a rush for the girl, but when it was about seventy feet away Miss Richards' rifle cracked again, and the bullet hit the bear behind the ear and killed it. The bear weighed more than 400 pounds.

TEACHER ROUTS A BEAR.

She Used Only a Broom-She Was Presented With a Cub for Her Bravery.

A teacher in the western part of Maine, hearing a peculiar noise in the entry during the morning session of school, opened the door and looked out. To her dismay she found a black bear with her two cubs making free with the children's lunch making free with the children's lunch baskets, says the Youth's Companion. The animals stopped nosing and eating s the teacher appeared, and then the old The animals stopped nosing and eating as the teacher appeared, and then the old bear, resenting the interruption, and perhaps fearful for her cubs, came toward the door with menacing aspect.

The children saw the brute and were terribly frightened. Some screamed, others climbed on the desks and two jumped from the window and ran toward home.

Acting on the impulse of the moment, and prompted by the sense that she must protect the children, the teacher selzed the broom, which chanced to stand just within the door, and thrust it, brush end foremost, into the bear's face and eyes.

The brute, astonished by this reception, backed away, and the teacher, selzing the opportunity, stepped in and hurriedly shut the door.

Then, assuming a calmness which she was far from feeling, she did her best to quiet the frightened children. Meantime, the two who had escaped by way of the window ran home as fast as their feet could carry them. They found some men at work on the road and gave the alarm.

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In the course of an hour several men armed with guns came to the school house. The bears had gone to the woods, but a hunt was soon organized, and, with the aid of dogs, the old bear and one cub were shot. The other one was captured alive and presented to the brave schoolmistress.

BRAVE LITTLE BOSTON GIRL.

She Plunged Into the Water and Helped Save a Drowning Man.

Clorinda Bedessa, the 15-year-old Italian girl, of Boston, ventured where others dared not on Wednesday and effected the rescue of a drowning man. She told her story in a candid, straightforward sort of way, with just the slightest accent to betray her rationality, thus:

"I was in the bath house at North End park about 6:30 taking off my shoes when I heard a man call out. When I looked to see what the matter was I saw a man in the water waving his hands above him. There was only one other girl there and the mawater waving his hands above him. There was only one other girl there and the matron, but there were a lot of men. Three men who were in bathing swam out to the man and a policeman got out in a boat that was there. The policeman caught hold of the man's head and the three men took hold of the drowning man to keep him from going under. The policeman called for some one to pull the boat in. The other girl who was in bathing was afraid when she saw how deep it was, for the tide was in."

The girl waited modestly to be urged to the vital account of her story.

"Well, what did you do then?" asked the reporter.

"I jumped in with all my clothes on and Miss Mary Bartelme, of Chicago, Holds. of every ten, at least, will, without the slightest hesitation, reply, 'The diamond,' "Jumped in with all my clothes on and waded out up to my chin. I caught hold the value of a good sixed diamond convent.

SHE FOUGHT AND WON.

Miss Hukill, Who Has Shaken Up the Sawbones of Chicago Medical Schools.



rapher, as a st skillful with scalpel as with her typewriter. CURE FOR SNAKE BITE.

Plucky Marshal Shoots Off a Finge

Bitten by a Rattler. Edward Reece, fire marshal of Helena, Mont., has lost one of the fingers of his left hand. He shot it off to save himself from the poisonous effects of a rattle-snake's bite. In company with a friend he was hunting prairie chickens about ten miles from Helena. While sitting on the edge of a ditch waiting for his friend to come up, the marshal ran his left hand into a bunch of tall grass to clean off some powder stains. A stinging sensation and

sound of a rattle told him he had been hitten by a rattler. A hasty examination showed that the fangs of the reptile had pierced the back of the finger just above the nail. After a moment's consideration Reece placed the wounded portion of his finger over the muzzle of his shotgun and pulled the trigger. The finger down to the first joint was blown into shreds.

The pain was fearful. "But what is that compared to endangering my life?" asked the fire fighter.

A doctor who examined the finger said that the shot had performed the act of amputation as nicely as a physician could have done it.

MADE A FORTUNE IN KLONDIKE. Mrs. Wills, of Colorado, Went Through Many Hardships to Get Gold.

Mrs. J. T. Wills, of Tacoma, who says she went "through death" to seek Alaska gold, is a pioneer of pioneers. She has pioneered it in New Mexico, Colorado and Washington. She is an lowa woman, and



MRS. J. T. WILLS, A Plucky Colorado Woman, Makes Her Fortune in the Klondike.

Fortune in the Klondike.

reared three daughters in Missouri, where she married a man named Mercer.

Eight years ago she struck Tacoma during the big Northwestern boom, and married J. T. Wills, a gun and locksmith. As the boom subsided it became too quiet in Washington for Mrs. Wills, and she journeyed to Alaska. She was the pioneer woman gold hunter of that section. At first she baked bread and conducted a laundry at Circle City. Her stove would only bake two loaves at a time, but at \$1 per loaf she managed to net \$14 a day. She also did plain sewing for the miners, and introduced the first starched shirt into the Eldorado of the far North.

When the word came down the Yukon that there was fabulously rich "pay dirt" on the Klondike, Mrs. Wills joined the stampede. She went in with a party of cattlemen. The trip was rough and exciting, but Mrs. Wills did not complain and was not a burden to the men who led the spurt for the new digglings.

When Mrs. Wills reached Dawson City she made a dash with the best of the men for a claim. But as the value of the surrounding claims came to be worth \$25.000 to \$1.00,000, claim jumping began, and Mrs. Wills had to fight like a will-breaker for her property. It is valued at at least \$250,000. While holding on to her claim, Mrs. Wills spends her leisure moments earning \$15 per day as head cook for the Alaska Commercial Company at Dawson City.

TO RAISE A MORTGAGE.

19-Year-Old Girl Goes to Klondike to Save Her Mother's Cottage.

Miss Bessie Lessarge, 19 years of age, recently set out for the Klondike region from Tacoma, where she has lived for the



PLUCKY LITTLE MISS LESSARGE, Of Tacoma, Whose Earnings Will Pay off the Mortgage on Her Mother's Home.

past six years with her widowed mother, since they moved West from New York

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Her motive in making the perilous journey to the gold fields is to secure the means for lifting the mortgage on the cottage which she and her mother occupy.

The expressions of admiration of the pluck which she has displayed are not more numerous or sincere than the encomiums bestowed upon her spirit of heroic unselfishness.

Her comment upon the great undertaking she has entered upon was this:

"I think it is a great deal better that I should have a hard time for a little while than that my mother should lose her home. Anyway, I am going to try and see what I can do and surely if I fail I shall be no worse off than I was before. If I succeed in making some money, enough to pay the mortgage, why then no matter how hard it has been I shall be so very happy that it will not matter at all."

When Miss Lessarge went aboard the Mexico at Seattle all she had was contained in her grip, which did not weigh more than forty pounds, and with this outfit she believed she would reach and exist in the Klondike gold fields. She bought a steerage ticket for Dyea. Fortunately, the steward was a man of heart, and gave her cabin accommodations without extra charge.

Miss Mary Bartelme, of Chicago, Holds This Unique Position of Honor and Trust.

Miss Mary Bartelme, a member of a prosperous Chicago law firm, is the only woman in the United States holding an appointment as "public guardian." "Viewed in its most narrow and restrict-



st narrow and restricted sense, the service
demanded of a public guardian is the
faithful administration of the estates
left to minors, who,
for various reasons,
are without other
guardians," said Miss
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to explain the requirements of her position. "In most cases the guard anship covered to the person and the setate of the child, but there are instances wherein I have charge of only the office is essentially maternal and I find myself answering to almost every demand that could be made upon a mother."

Miss Barteime was graduated from the law school of the Northwestern University in 1893. She immediately entered into active professional work, devoting herself almost exclusively to probate practice. She entered upon the duties of her new position last May. The request for her appointment was made without her knowledge and the legal friends who took the initiative in the matter have been more than delighted with the efficiency, conscientiousness and thoroughness with which her official responsibilities have been discharged. Most of the little fortunes which she has been called upon to care for have come from labor unions and benefit organizations, and this form of life insurance has a strong friend and advocate in the present public guardian.

JUST LITTLE THINGS.

LIKE FLIES, BEES, MOSQUITOS, SPI-DERS AND FINGER IMPRINTS.

Yet They Do Their Deadly Work All the Same-Test of Finger Prints That Will Figure in Two Murder Cases.

The test of finger prints, upon which Mark Twain's hero placed such stress, are likely to have an important bearing in two recent murder cases. The man whose hand will fit the bloody imprints that were found with the stress of recent murder cases. The man whose hand will fit the bloody imprints that were found where the crimes were committed will have no little difficulty in saving himself from the death penalty.

Major William C. Wilson was killed on the floor of his circulating library in Philadelphia. The detectives at work upon the case have been astir night and day since the night of the tragedy, and have made one arrest, Marion Stuyvesandt, the porter. One of the detectives, George Taylor Smith, who has read the book and seen the dramatized version of "Pudd'nhead Wilson," discovered what appeared to be the bloody prints of two fingers and a thumb on the knob on the dresser drawer. The knob was taken off. Recalling the unfolding of the plot in Mark Twain's story, Smith suggested that the imprints of Stuyvesandt's fingers should be taken in ink, and this was done with red printers' ink. A number of impressions of the porter's fingers and a microscopic comparison will be made for the enlightenment of the grand jury, as well as a chemical analysis of the supposed blood stains.

The revelations in support of this theory were a surprise at the inquest before the coroner Friday, Stuyvesandt was confronted by them, but did not quail. The coroner put him through the ordeal of demonstrating the way he would take hold of the knob of a door. He illustrated it by parting the index and second fingers of his hand to catch hold of the knob.

The Murder of an Assistant Sexton. George Stelz, assistant sexton of Holy Trinity church, Williamsburg, L. I., was murdered in the vestibule of the church. Robbers committed the crime. They at-tacked Stelz in the cellar under the vesti-



MARK OF A BLOODY HAND FOUND ON THE STEPS LEADING TO THE BELFRY OF THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY, WILLIAMSBURG, N. Y.

bule after he had finished ringing the Angelus, and choked him to death, first beating him into insensibility.

The most important bit of evidence that has so far been discovered is the imprints of bloody hands found upon the wall and floor of the buildings. The mark of a bloody hand found on a step of the stairs leading to the beliry is here reproduced.

The imprint of a finger has figured before in a court of law. In 1894 Asa G. Gurney, an American Express Company employe, was tried in New Orleans for embezzling \$22,500. In this case, the trial of which lasted a week, the most able attorneys in Louisiana hinged their chance to secure a conviction on the lines left by a human thumb on the seal of the express envelope which was robbed. Experts proved the lines on Gurney's thumb and those on the seal to be absolutely similar. The jury, however, refused to accept the testimony of the experts as absolute proof of guilt and rendered a verdict of acquittal.

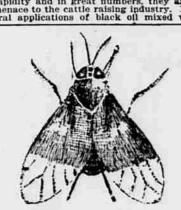
This case at the time became celebrated simply because of the finger-mark theory, it being the first recorded when such evidence was submitted, and in his charge Judge Ferguson dwelt on it at length and instructed the jury to heed the testimony of the experts as of as much value as any testimony submitted.

The question as to whether finger marks remain unaltered throughout the life of a person is answered by Sir William Herschel. He made imprints of the first two fingers on his right hand in 1890, and again in 1888, an interval of twenty-eight years.

signs of wearing, but the features in both impressions remained the

A MENACE TO CATTLE INDUSTRY A New Pest, the Horn Fly, That Has Just Made Its Appearance

in Texas. This is the horn fly (Haemitobia Serrata) that has just made its appearance in Williamson and other counties in Texas in myriads. They are a terrible pest, as they settle in great numbers on the backs and around the horns of cattle. They become so annoying that cattle will not fatten, and great loss is occasioned. They have in the last few years spread all over the United States, but are more prevalent in the warmer Southern states. They were taken to Texas by cattle purchased in the coast country, and as they reproduce with great rapidity and in great numbers, they are a menace to the cattle raising industry. Liberal applications of black oil mixed with



TEXAS' NEW PEST, THE HORN FLY petroleum smeared around the horns an away. They greatly resemble the common house fly, but are about half as large.

BEES KILLED THIS MAN.

Richard Rider Attacked While Trying to Hive Them and Stung Till

He Died.

While attempting to hive a swarm of bees near Kingston, N. Y., Richard Rider, a farmer, was attacked by the insects and stung until he died.

Mr. Rider approached the swarm and began to gently lift them from some bushes, where they had alighted in a mass, to a hive, when one of the bees stung him. He struck at a bee that had alighted on his face. This seemed to anger many of the insects, and in a moment about twenty of them attacked him. Screaming with pain and rushing about like a madman, Rider tried to fight the bees away. But the whole swarm became aroused and fiercely attacked the farmer. Rider was suffering terrible agony, and as he tried to brush away the tormentors called to his compunions for aid. They were just on the point of rushing toward him, in spite of danger, when Rider suddenly threw up his arms and fell to the ground dead.

A FLY CAUSES A BROKEN TOE. It Happened When Mr. Wilson Kicked Vigorously at His Tiny Tormentor.

A troublesome fly was the cause of Henry D. Wilson, of Detroit, dislocating his big toe. During his sleep he contrived in some unexplainable manner to wrap one end of the sheet round his big toe and the other end round his hig toe and the other end round his neck. The rest of the covering he slept on instead of under.

While he slumbered, a fly, seeking for a place to rest, sighted the toe in question and landed on it. Mr. Wilson, roused from his slumbers by its walking and biting, gave a couple of savage lunges with his feet in the air and struck the bedpost with all his strength. His yells of pain awoke up all the guests of the hotel on the floor, who ran out of their rooms to see what was the matter.

When they entered his room they found Wilson sitting up on the bed with his foot in his hand and interspersing his groans with violent denunciations of the fly.

A physician was called and fixed the toe all right. Wilson says he is going to in-

vent a contrivance to cover him when sleeping which will be guaranteed to keep off flies.

A SERIOUS MOSQUITO BITE.

Mrs. Schmidt, of New Jersey, May Lose Her Arm on Account of This Troublesome Little Insect.

One of the latest victims of a mosquito bite is Mrs. Barbara Schmidt, the wife of a gardener in New Durham, N. J., who has been in great danger of losing an arm, While Mrs. Schmidt was in her garden, a few days ago, she was bitten twice en her left forearm by a mosquito, but path little attention to the injury beyond applying some liniment. A doctor was summoned, as Mrs. Schmidt's arm was swellen to twice its natural size, and she was suffering intense agony.

The doctor said: "I have treated many persons suffering from mosquito bites, but Mrs. Schmidt's case is the worst I have ever had brought under my notice. When I saw Mrs. Schmidt and examined her arm I thought it would have to be amputated to save her life, but I don't thing that will be necessary now. It will be at least ten days, however, before she will be able to use her arm again."

Girl, Stung on the Lip, Died.

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Lena Mead, 7 years of age, living near Middleton, N. Y., died from the bite of a spider on her upper lip.

Three weeks ago, while the little girl was picking up sticks in the woodshed, she rushed from the place, exclaiming. "Mamma, I just brushed a spider off my lip and it hurts."

The lip soon swelled to twice its natural size, and a physician was summoned Everything was done that medical scient could suggest, but although the woun showed signs of improvement it did neheal, and the little girl became six Blood poisoning finally developed and the child died.

A Pin Was the Cause of Death. Rose Lynch, a widow, 56 years old, die I at Believue hospital, New York, last week from a perforating ulcer of the stormach and an abscess of the liver.

She had swallowed a pin, and that was found at the post mortem examination to have been the cause of her death.

Rusty Nail Caused Death. Mrs. Elizabeth Gigglemann died in New Durham, N. J., yesterday from blood pos-soning, the result of a cut on her inger from a rusty nail received a few days ago, add tobacco, etc

TEARING UP FIFTH AVENUE.

Storekeepers Say Their Business Has Suffered-They May Go to Court About It.

About It.

The condition of a part of Flith avenua is shown in the illustration. It has been such for months.

The merchants along the avenue have stood this sort of thing until patience has ceased to be a virtue, and now they are desperate. They have learned the yawning trenches and towering earth mounds have been standing there for two months because somebody blundered. The trouble was caused by the delay in receiving the big four-foot water mains. No one can say when they will arrive.

"Then why were these trenches opened and this street blocked up six weeks before the pipes were even in the possession of the department? It is an optrageous proceeding, a stupid plece of blundering, chorused the indignant merchants.

They were deeply incensed and several conferences of the merchants followed, at which the alternative of securing a mandamus against the city was discussed.

The storm center of indignation and protest is at Twenty-ninth street and Fifth avenue. Some of the finest stores and largest importers in New York are becated in the blocks between Twenty-eighth and Thirty-first streets. For six months their business has been seriously affected by the putting in of sewers and water mains along



WHY FIFTH AVENUE MERCHANTS THREATEN TO GO TO THE COURTS.

the avenue. They have repeatedly sent pertitions and individual appeals to save them from further loss, but their plight is as bad to-day as it ever was.

No carriages or trucks can reach some of the stores, and the weighty and bulky boxes from Europe containing rare and fragile bric-a-brac, furniture and porcelain have to be pushed and trundled over the clear strip of sidewalk from the corners of the nearest side streets, at an extra expense and the imminent risk of destruction.

Added to this is the danger of fire. In case of a conflagration engines could not get within an effective distance of some of the houses, and many of the water hydrants are buried under masses of debris.

HIS NOTES UP HIS SLEEVE. A Questionable Device for Which a

Patent Has Been Granted by A patent recently granted, says a correspondent of the New York Sun, seems to indicate that the federal government has given official sanction to the reprehensive practice of cribbing. Every one with any pretense to higher education must be familiar with the roller crib, a strip of paper inscribed with valuable formulas of dates rolled around two terminal bits of wood after the fashion of ancient manuscripts. An acquaintance of mine in his sophomore year passed a highly successful examination with the aid of such a device. He improved on the ordinary crib by the addition of an elastic band, by means of which the roll could be snapped up his sleeve upon the near approach of a lynxeyed tutor.

The patentee calls the thing a sleeve tablet. Perhaps he had no thought of evil application, but saw only that his invention might be of great service to long-winded statesmen with short memories. the Government.

COONEY THE FOX. He Has Just Successfully Passed the Civil Service Examination-The Cronin Case Recalled.

Among the successful candidates who passed the civil service examination for the position of brickmason is Fatrick Cooney, better known as "Cooney the Fox."

The name of "Cooney the Fox." was frequently mentioned in connection with the famous Cronin murder trial.

For over a year detectives were on his For over a year detectives were on his trail, and he was followed all over the

